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MYPIN Media Player vs X96 Mini: Which budget box is the better buy?

Compare MYPIN HDMI Media Player and Zedo X96 Mini Android 10 TV Box: price, features, playback, and value to find the best budget UK buy.

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Price	**£29.99**	£42.99
Rating	**4.0/5**	3.9/5
Reviews	524	**807**

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Display Product A wins for pure compatibility. The MYPIN HDMI Media Player is designed to output video over HDMI, AV, and VGA, which makes it useful if you're connecting to older TVs, monitors, or projectors as well as modern sets. It also explicitly supports common local media formats like RMVB, MKV, and JPEG, so the focus is on reliable playback rather than app-based streaming. Product B, the X96 Mini Android 10.0 TV Box, is marketed as supporting 4K and 3D, but that is only part of the story: its real value depends on app support, internet speed, and how well Android is optimized on the hardware. For straightforward display flexibility and less hassle, Product A is the safer winner.

Performance Product B wins here. With Android 10.0, 2GB RAM, 16GB ROM, and an Allwinner H313 quad-core chipset, the X96 Mini is built to run apps, streaming services, and a more interactive interface. That makes it more versatile for everyday use, especially if you want access to streaming apps, IPTV-style apps, or a more "smart TV" experience. Product A is a dedicated media player, so it will usually feel simpler and more stable for playing files from USB or SD card, but it is not trying to do the same amount of work. If your main priority is app-based functionality and a broader feature set, Product B is the stronger performer.

Build quality and design Product A wins on practicality, Product B wins on compactness. The MYPIN unit’s headline strengths are its physical connections: HDMI, AV, and VGA output mean it’s clearly designed for maximum compatibility with different screens and setups. That kind of design is especially useful in UK homes where people may be mixing newer TVs with older secondary sets, caravans, or projectors. The X96 Mini is smaller and more modern-looking, and as a TV box it should sit neatly behind a television with minimal clutter. Still, the MYPIN’s broader connection options make it the more robust and adaptable piece of kit overall.

Battery life Neither product has a battery, so this category is effectively a tie. Both are mains-powered home media devices, not portable players. If you were hoping to use either away from a plug socket, neither is the right choice. For home use, this means the only real question is power draw and convenience, and both are designed to stay connected to the TV setup permanently.

Price and value for money Product B wins on price. At £29.99, the X96 Mini is £13 cheaper than the MYPIN at £42.99, and it also has a slightly higher rating at 4.0/5 from 524 reviews compared with 3.9/5 from 803 reviews. That suggests decent value if you want the cheapest route into Android TV box territory. However, value is not just about the sticker price: Product A may justify its higher cost if you mainly need reliable local playback from USB or SD card and want those extra output ports. If you want the most features per pound, Product B takes the win; if you want the most dependable file-player experience, Product A can still be worth the extra £13.

Game library/features Product B wins by a mile. Android 10.0 opens the door to a much wider feature set, including streaming apps, casual games, IPTV apps, media apps, and general Android functionality. Product A is far more limited: it’s a media player for reading USB drives and SD cards and outputting files like MKV and JPEG. That makes Product A excellent for local movie libraries, holiday photos, or a simple plug-in-and-play setup, but it is not a gaming or app platform. If “features” means flexibility, apps, and entertainment options, the X96 Mini is the clear winner.

Overall user experience This is where the choice becomes clear. Product A is better if you want a straightforward, no-nonsense media player that reads files from USB or SD card and works with lots of display types. It should be easier for less technical users who just want to watch their own videos and photos without fiddling with Android menus or app installs. Product B is better if you want a cheap smart TV box that can do more than local playback, especially if you’re looking to stream content and use Android apps. It offers better value and more features for the money, but it may require more setup and may not be as polished as a dedicated media player.

Overall summary: choose Product A for simple, reliable local media playback and maximum connection flexibility. Choose Product B if you want the cheaper, more versatile box with Android apps and smart TV features. For most buyers, the X96 Mini is the better all-round buy because it costs less and does more, but the MYPIN is the better specialist if your main job is playing files from USB or SD card with minimal fuss.

Winner: b

The X96 Mini is the better buy for most people because it is £13 cheaper, has a slightly better rating, and offers a much wider feature set thanks to Android 10.0. It can do streaming apps, casual apps, and more general smart TV tasks, while the MYPIN is mainly a dedicated local media player. If you want the best value and the most flexibility, Product B is the clear winner.

Buy Product A If...

Buy Product A if you mainly want to play movies, photos, or music from a USB drive or SD card with the least hassle. It’s also the better choice if you need HDMI, AV, or VGA output for older TVs, monitors, or projectors. If you value simple file playback over apps and smart features, the MYPIN makes more sense.

Buy Product B If...

Buy Product B if you want the cheapest route into a smart TV box with Android apps and streaming potential. It’s the better pick if you want more versatility for Netflix-style apps, IPTV apps, or general Android use. For a budget living-room setup in the UK, the X96 Mini offers more for less money.

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